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| 4.  |                                    | The US has been elected (Article 3  | 1).   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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